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Your Mary Lee
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Meeting on
Sunday in
Quaker Meeting
House at
Fifteenth and
Race Streets
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Leeds 15 March 1873

My Dear Mary Lee

I had a quick passage and most joyfully received your letter, now that we can straighten out the Woolsey Emerson Whitney- Would that all the vexed questions could be equally well set to rest.

In your letter of Jan. 16th you say to me, "Even your Resolution on the American Anti Slavery Society, and your 20 Min. Speech thereon, of which you say no mention or Notice is made in the Emancipator, is not only mentioned, but in the most Emphatically mentioned"-

and then a little further down you say "I at first thought it might be that the Emancipist's account of the Conference had appeared in different papers a week apart- but further looking showed that it all appeared together in a single number-"

In my reply to you letter, I said I had seen several Copies of the Emancipist, & that not one of them contained any allusion to my Resolution, or the Speech made in presenting it-

To day, Mr. Winstead has kindly furnished me still another Copy which I shall forward to you. We have also looked over the Standard's Report as you desired, and find it substantially to agree with all the Nos. of the Empire we have been able to see. I hope you have my letter, written from near the first of Feb. It seems to me you have had to gather your knowledge from so many sources, as to how made the not very wondrous mistake, of confounding things in such a way as to lead to the present misapprehension - for such it seems to me since looking at the Standard, is all there is about it.

I am very busy this week with Committee Meetings and a Lecture; and am very poorly too - So I have to economize my strength - But I hope our friend Wright will leave you the first pages of a letter I have written him, as throwing a little light on other particulars touching the London Conference -

Broad St. House Plymouth
Feb 11

At a "verbatim" Report of Proceedings ever since the Meeting was held.

for the Ch- Before this it was advertized as ready- Mr- Estlin immediately wrote Chancellorsow for a copy. He had to confess it was not ready and that it was because they were so long in getting the Speech back from the Makers of them to whom the Report by he said had been submitted for their revisions- I made two or three rather long ones; & this was the first intimation I had had, that such a thing was in progress. Nor have mine been sent me yet. Chancellor urged this as a reason to Mr- Estlin why he must be patient- Then he would have a full verbatim Report- Almost at the very same date, he wrote Mr. Armistead, who also had sent for a copy of the Advertized Report, that it was delayed, because they were "Curtailing & condensing it"- Mr- Armistead has written twice, and the Sec of the Leeds A.S. Soc. has also written, for Mr. Armistead's letter, sent to, but not read in the Conference- despairing of any Report from Broad at all & unwilling that the Letter should be "condensed or curtailed" by such hands the Leeds Soc. has voted to print it in their own annual Report-

But three days after the Secretary Thompson have not been sufficient to procure a copy written or printed, of the original ~~letter~~ — And now let me say once for all that this is a fair specimen of My whole intercourse with that distinguished functionary — and You need not wonder therefore at My refusing to have any correspondence with him on any subject —

But such as the Bonds into which Jno Thompson has thrown himself, and would have drawn us all with him, had it been possible to deceive even the Elect That the Empire therefore should continue to suppress all allusions to the Female delegates to the W. Con. nearly in all My speech about the Lecture in America, about Dr. Wm Lobb, or My Resolution and Remarks upon the American Society near the close, and the Editor's Non Intended Speech for Six Weeks. At which time, it was only then Wrung out by force of circumstances, that all this should have happened it is Now no matter of surprise at all

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The embarrassment proceeding out of this state of things I have felt many of our friends in Bristol, Manchester & even here in Leeds to wish me to prolong my stay in this country — The Editor is particularly desirous of this subject. The Advocate for Bronze rests heavily on them — And that New Broad St. would exult in its downfall, we all know full well. Then read the Lancet of Anti Slavery agencies there in the United States — for about the three reasons & of nearly the same kind — To spread American truth and light in condensed form, to hold a connecting chain of Communication & Co-operation between all the different Anti Slavery Patriots throughout the Kingdom, to watch the movements of the Pennington's, Gurney and other Emissaries, into Quick Society in the name of Anti Slavery, and then Malign the Anti Slavery Cause. to see that White American Ministers do not under cover of Slanders & other Calumny, attend British Anniversaries & Astor Palace Exhibitions, for much the same work, and to show at some time to

the "Turkish Mission" and other like
roaming Expeditions got up by American
Ecclesiastical bodies to prey upon the
people there & to display their own won
derful Zeal to convert the world to
a Slave holding & polygamy practicing
Religion - there are a part of the reasons
to be given in favor of an agency here
at least for the present - say for all this
Year if for no longer - You have no idea
how the cause has suffered by the Tenure
Hennings, Pennington, Dr Brown,
and no body knows how many more
who have stumbled here for no reason
in the world at all only but to make
money -

I can not have a face to speak the
word Money - and never speak it
in any meeting - I only plead the cause
of the Bozaar - That I urge, with no mistake
of Modesty at all - and the people do not
know but I myself, have a million dollars
at home - instead of a poor wife doing all
her own work except the single item of a
Thursday washing -

You ask of My funds - Item Econo
my & "Second & third class Cabs," Make them
hold out fit - I have bought as little
of every thing as for -, as possible - My

most expensive thing here to Paris. And if Mr. Hovey can't tell you how to find all my bills, it will be needless for you to enquire of any body else—

And for your other question. My Family I fear will be unwilling to have me remain longer away than till June— For myself, I should not like to return late in autumn, because the severity of our winters, I should be approached gradually by such in validity as I am, or not at all— To come suddenly upon our coast, and encounter a snow storm with the Thermometer at Zero would be too severe an experiment for me— And to remain here one ought to do more than I can at present— Two Lastly a week ate fully enough for my present strength— Though Miss Eaton & Mr. Mitchell have done all this, by paying personal Conversation & visiting from place to place, are better than Lectures— & that I am the one to do it— And Even Mrs. Dr Maddis after one interview, found me so much better looking than she expected, that she actually wrote "Estlin," (as she very often calls Mary) that she liked me well, & "fully believed I would be saved"— Since

there. She seems to like me well & we get on admirably together—

My own choice would on the whole be decidedly in favor of returning home—But still, if My Family would consent, and the Board at home & the friends here thought it better for me to remain for a/ Perhaps till August or September, & time to go a little tour to Paris I would not object seriously to it— This is all my time or thought will admit of today—

I think I have before written you that Wilson admitted and some of the at Leeds as advocate—I have good re son to suppose My visit there will result good— Mrs. Hovey will tell you it is a del cate field—a sort of garden of "sensitive plants" altogether—but still one of our most hopeful spheres— Will you thank Mr Hovey the way, for his truly friendly interest in My behalf about the N. York Independent— I am too ill with headache & indigestion, to write that paper, & besides, the Editing of the Lectures all time it would be better to let the thing go & it go our cake— I shall write him most entirely in My next Enclosable. For his note to me please give him My thanks. I sent it to Bristol to be read there—

The extract from Mr Bickford's letter will be good for Geo. W. Putnam to read— I should like it to appear in the Liberator— I have seen much of the false hood, & have admired the generosity it called forth— This is written in such way, but must be left entirely this time—

With a fond & brotherly love to you all, in the office & at the Board, I remain Ever yours—

Parker Pillsbury—